

D'Amato on the Road

WARSAW, April 5 (AP) — Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato said today that he would try to drive across the border into Lithuania to show that Congress supports the Baltic republic's drive for independence.

But Mr. D'Amato, interviewed upon arriving at Warsaw's Okecie International Airport from New York, said Soviet troops might try to bar his passage, planned Friday at the Ogrodniki crossing in the northeastern corner of Poland.

The New York Republican is carrying no Soviet visa, only one from Lithuania, which declared its independence last month. Neither the Soviet Union nor most other Western nations have recognized the re-

public as a sovereign nation.

In a show of force, Moscow has sent armored vehicles through Lithuania's streets, sent more troops and occupied several Government buildings.

"I think it is important that we stand for freedom and we demonstrate our solidarity with the people of Lithuania, who want nothing more than their freedom and independence," said Mr. D'Amato.

Senator D'Amato said he was invited by President Vytautas Landsbergis, adding that he expected to be escorted to the border, 190 miles by automobile from Warsaw, by a high-level delegation from Lithuania.